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## **RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

This is further to the Office Action dated June 22, 2005. Applicant advises that a request for continued examination (RCE), a request for a three-month extension of time, a request for a suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(c), and the processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) are being filed concurrently herewith. Applicant wishes to respond to the above-noted Office Action as follows:

Remarks: begin on page 2 of this paper.